In the Environment Court of New Zealand Christchurch Registry

I Te Koti Taiao o Aotearoa Ōtautahi Rohe

ENV-2018-CHC-36

Under the Resource Management Act 1991 (RMA)

In the matter of an appeal under Clause 14(1) of Schedule 1 of the RMA in

relation to the proposed Southland Water and Land Plan

(pSWLP)

Between **Director-General of Conservation**

Appellant

And Southland Regional Council (Environment Southland)

Respondent

Notice of Gore District Council, Southland District Council and Invercargill City Council (Territorial Authorities) wish to be party to proceedings pursuant to section 274 RMA

22 June 2018

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To: The Registrar Environment Court

Christchurch

Gore District Council, Southland District Council and Invercargill City Council (**Territorial Authorities**) wish to be a party pursuant to section 274 of the RMA to the following proceedings:

Director-General of Conservation v Southland Regional Council (ENV-2018-CHC-36) being an appeal against decisions of Environment Southland on the proposed Southland Water and Land Plan (pSWLP).

- 2 Gore District Council, Southland District Council and Invercargill City Council are the three territorial authorities located within the Southland region.
- The Territorial Authorities have made both joint and individual submissions on the pSWLP.
- The Territorial Authorities have lodged an appeal in relation to the pSWLP (**ENV-2018-CHC-31**).
- The Territorial Authorities are not trade competitors for the purposes of section 308C or 308CA of the RMA.
- The Territorial Authorities have a responsibility for Southland's infrastructure, stormwater and community sewerage schemes.
- The parts of the proceedings the Territorial Authorities are interested in, including the particular issues and whether the Territorial Authorities support, oppose or conditionally oppose the relief sought are set out in the **attached** table.
- The Territorial Authorities agree to participate in mediation or other alternative dispute resolution of the proceedings.

Dated this 22nd day of June 2018

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Part of the proceedings	Relief sought by Appellant	Issues	Support, Oppose, or Conditionally oppose	Reasons
Rule 5	(3) except for discharges from a territorial authority reticulated stormwater or wastewater system, the discharge does not contain any raw sewage.	Deletion of exception.	Oppose	 The proposed change of wording could have consequences for reticulated stormwater and wastewater systems. The proposed change affects the inter-relationship of Rule 5 with other specific discharge rules such as Rules 15, 19, 26 and 33A. This change does not appropriately implement the relevant objectives and policies.

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